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# 'I KILLED HIM,' DR. WAITESAID TOMRS.HORTON

"Other Woman" in Peck
Case Admits Confession,
Goaded by State.

University of Chicago the Williams
Building, a downtown property worth about \$2,500,000, according to an announcement made to-day.

Mr. Williams also deeded to St. Luke's Hospital property valued at \$200,000, and to the Y. M. C. A. property worth about \$100,000,

Mr. Williams is 70 years old and a bachelor. Although born in Chicago he has lived in Cheshire, Conn., for the last quarter of a century.

LOOKED ON INSANITY

"I Have Them Guessing. They Think I'm Crazy," He Wrote.

WIFE WEEPS AS SHE TELLS TRAGIC TALE

ton, the "other woman"—brought the trial of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite for the murder of his father-in-law, John E. M. B. Harter, Mrs. Harrison F. Foster and Mrs. Elizabeth D. Christian. Wyoming—Mrs. T. S. Talliaferro and Mrs. Mary G. Bellamy. trial of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite for Peck, to a dramatic climax yesterday. whose telegram had set in action the in-Miss Hardwick was the "K. Adams" vestigation which had brought about the

The wife, calm but repressing her emotions only by a strong effort, narrated the experiences of her married life. beginning with the whirlwind wooing and ending with the parting with her husband at the Grand Rapids station on March 17, when he started for New York city and a prison cell.

Rapidly the wife told of the marriage. the talk about money, the premonitions of the death of her father, the actions during the fatal illness, the preparation of the food, the fatal cup of eggnogg, the urging of cremation, the suggestion that she make a will and the last letter received.

Special Code Despares to THE SCV.

London, May 24.—Sir Edward Grey, British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declared to-day in the House of Commons that the first steps toward peace will have been taken when Germany realizes that the Allies are unbeatable.

Mis. Horton, sullen and self-possessed, forced only by sledge hammer questions to make any answers at all, told of her ture months companionship with the pan, their language lessons, voice lessons, dramatic lessons, their "studio" at the Plaza Hotel and then, almost in monosyllables, of the man's confession to ier. She testified regarding the letters written to her from the hospital and from the Tombs in which Waite declared that he would not get the "chair," but an asylum for the criminal insane, from which he would return to her in a few years and then almost in a wishers. from which he would return to her in a few years and then, almost in a whisper. Mrs. Horton told of her reply that she would wait for him "four years or forty."

Parliament and hinted that the continuance of the war was due to secret obligations of Great Britain and the Allies.

Rebuking Ponsonby for making no Rebuking No Rebuki

Percy Peck, son of the man who the State says was murdered, could add only one tense moment to the day, and that was when he told how with the day. "K. Adams' telegram in his pocket and the autopsy already ordered, he had met the autopsy already ordered, he had met "That, Mr. Speaker, " he said, "is a the defendant in the station at Grand Rapids and quietly demanded the checks would put the body of his father In the clash proved the stronger and without will.

hich revealed the truth.

The speedy progress of the trial on uceday had cleared the way for the big ay in the Criminal Branch of the Surfix and their solidarity.

Sir Edward Grey asserted that Great a chieved up to this afternoon, in spite of the repeated efforts, having been the taking of a small part of a trench east the railing as they could not.

Diplomacy is now limited to maintaining achieved up to this afternoon, in spite of the repeated efforts, having been the taking of a small part of a trench east of the fort.

An attack was made by the Germans last night in Champagne, west of the Navarin farm, under cover of gas functions. The attack failed under the Respect fire curtain. which revealed the truth.

Percy Peck, his wife, Miss Catharine Peck, the sister of John E. Peck; Miss Hardwick, a young school teacher, who lives with her uncle, Dr. Jacob A. Cornell, at Somerville, and a few following. at Somerville, and a few friends took seats at the side. Harry Mack Horton, his wife and her sister were nst the wall. Mrs. von Palmenroom, all silent, all tense.

### Waite Calls It a Farce.

Waite himself was little changed se entered. Just a minute before

was in nowise concerned, however; place with a smiling nod to Deuel and Joseph Crater, his insel and stared ahead at the picture "Justice" on the wall behind Justice earn's place. He seemed to know that Mrs. Horton was within eyeglance of him, for he turned his head slightly away so as not to see her. She gazed curiously at him for a while and then

George N. Brothers, Assistant District Attorney, rushed nine witnesses through an hour and twenty-five minutes after the \$9,000 check, a garage man to iden-tify Kane; Conniff, the detective, recalled about the embalming fluid; some ste-nographers, and Dr. Perry Schurtz, the family physician of Grand Rapids, who had taken charge of the autopsy out there until Dr. Otto Schultze arrived, Dr. Schurtz swore that death was due

to arsenic poisoning.

Then next came Percy Peck, the son.
Rapidly he told of his father's age, 72 Years, his physical condition and the departure for New York on February 10

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#### BACHELOR GIVES \$4,800,000.

Hobart Williams Conveys Big Funds to Illinois Colleges.

CHICAGO, May 24 -- Hobart Williams n addition to establishing a trust fund of \$2,000,000 for the benefit of ten Illi-University of Chicago the Williams

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PLEA AS A HUGE JOKE

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Institutions benefiting by the gift are Illinois College, Rockford College, Mon-mouth College, Illinois Wesleyan College,

#### 15 WOMEN TO BE DELEGATES.

Will Represent Western States in

Democratic Convention. WASHINGTON, May 24.—Fifteen women have been elected delegates to the Democratic national convention at St. Louis. Kansas, California and Washington have Married Life Always Happy
—Gives Events of Night

Her Father Died.

Three women—Elizabeth C. Hardwick.
Clara Louise Peck Waite, the accused
man's wife, and Margaret Weaver Horton, the "other woman"—brought the

# SIGNS IN GERMANY

Foreign Secretary Says Public Must First Realize Kaiser Can't Win.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

om which he would return to her in a Parliament and hinted that the continu-

"Little Man From Egypt" Bobs Up. allusion to Verdun Sir Edward said:
"Through the long battle of Verdun Waite's joking allusions to the "little man from Egypt," saying she must laugh to read it, his teilling her that if she continued to love him it was all worse while, came just as reluctantly from Mrs. Horton's lips, all concluding with her statement that not until two weeks ago, under the strongest pressure by the District Attorney's office, had she placed these facts in the possession of the prospect of maintaining an enduring peace will be with the Allies. Mr. Ponsonby has hardly seemed to realize that

He declared that Germany had refused of wills a conference because there was not good proved the stronger and without of explanation began the work vealed the truth.

will. The Allies are not defeated and resulted this afternoon in the recapture of Fort Douaumont were continued throughout the night, the only gain

Rumor Is Unfounded. LONDON, May 24.—A despatch from Bern states that Field Marshal von Hin-Dora Hiller, the negro maid, and denburg has issued the following witnesses were back in the court order to his forces on the Russian "For some time a rumor has been spreading among the troops that peace negotiations are about to begin, a fact, coupled with the instinct of self-preservation which is constantly grow-ing, is having a bad effect on the morale

of the men.
"In the name of the Emperor I dewhat's the use of this farce? clare that there cannot be any question of peace until you have crossed the Dwina. Soldiers, if you wish peace, go and seek it on the other side of the Dwina."

# HALL DESTROYS GERMAN AERO.

American Aviator Attacks His Opponent 13,000 Feet in the Air. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, May 24.—Bert Hall, one of the members of the American Aviation Corps, attacked a German aeroplane last Monday at a height of 13,000 feet, bringing it down. Hali followed downward to a height of 3,000 feet and saw his opponent smashed to fragments just within the German lines. His wn machine also was hit.

#### COETHALS SAILS HOME TO-DAY. Not Yet Ordered to Command Mill-

tary Forces in Canal Zone. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Years his physical condition and the departure for New York on February 10 after the death of the mother.

"Had you a conversation with the defendant about your father at the time of Continued on Seventh Page.

"The page of Pank A. May 24.—Gen." Goethals has not been hotified that his powers have been extended to cover the command of the military forces in the Panama Canal Zone. He will leave to-morrow for New York unless he is ordered to

# **GERMANS RETAKE** DOUAUMONT FORT

nois institutions, has conveyed to the Suffer Heavy Losses in Final- U. S. Preparedness Programme ly Successful Attack on French Lines.

OCCUPY CUMIERES ALSO \$2,000,000 FOR AVIATION

Win Ground on Both Banks of Fiske Wins-Democrats De-Meuse, but Are Checked in Champagne.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN PARIS, May 24 .- As the result of a practically continuous attack on both number of men.

In the fighting east of Le Mort Affairs, Homme, on the left bank of the river. they occupied the village of Cumieres and took a trench between the village and Le Mort Homme. This afternoon lows: Ford Douaumont, on the east bank, which the French recaptured on Mon-

day, was retaken by the Germans.

The retaking of the fort was the result of the concentration of repeated attacks of the most desperate character against this one point. Two Bavarian divisions which had been brought to

the Verdun front only recently were employed against the fort.

The bombardment of this sector had continued without interruption since the French took the position and had increased in violence, particularly this afternoon, when the already tremendous expenditure of ammunition was doubled. Even then the first attacks, made withour counting the cost in men, broke down under the French fire, but the ef-fort was repeated until at last the Ger-mans again occupied the fort, long since only a mass of ruins but valuable be-cause of the high position on which it

#### French Retain Outskirts.

While the bulk of the German attacking troops were conducting these at-tacks on the fort other forces were attempting to flank the French positions in the Calllette wood, immediately southin the Caillette wood, immediately southeast of the fort. These attempts broke down under the French fire and the end of the day found the French still holding the terrain adjoining the ruins of the fort and all of their positions in the wood.

While this terrific fighting was in progress on the east bank of the river both Germans and French simultaneously took the offensive on the west bank in the sector of Cumières and Le Mort Homme, the Germans attempting to consisting of six classes.

An appropriation of \$2,000,000 for aviation.

Cumieres and the French attempting to regain the village. The Germans failed to carry their lines beyond the positions occupied last night, and the French counter attacks were successful to the extent of recovering a tension of the extension of the successful to the extension of the successful t

ten attacks were successful to the ex-tent of recovering a trench on the very edge of the village.

The official communique issued by the French War Office to-night follows:

On the left bank of the Meuse in-On the left bank of the Meuse infantry actions continued. East of Le Mort Homme our artillery fire on several occasions checked the enemy, who was attempting to debouch from the village of Cumieres. In the course of the afternoon a lively counter at-tack by our troops enabled us to re-

On the right bank the bombardment redoubled in violence in the region of Fort Douaumont, against which the gaged two Bavarian divisions newly rrived at the front, succeeded each other throughout the day. After several fruitiess attempts and enormous osses the enemy succeeded in reoccupying the ruins of the fort, our troops holding the ground immediately adjoining the fort. At the same moment an attempted outflanking movement of our positions in the Bois de la Caillette failed completely under our barrage fire and our infantry fire. There is no important event to re-port on the rest of the front.

#### Capture of Cumieres.

The capture of Cumieres last night was accomplished through an attack which culminated in hand to hand fighting with the bayonet and at the cost of important losses. On the east bank of the river last night the attacks which throughout the night, the only gain achieved up to this afternoon, in spite

In Champagne, with the help of an outburst of gas, the Germans at-

tempted to reach our lines in the region west of Navarin farm. Our cur-tain of fire threw the enemy back on the left bank of the Meuse the

Germans launched a powerful offen-sive action during the night east of Le Mort Homme. After a hand to hand battle the enemy penetrated, at the cost of heavy losses, the vil-lage of Cumieres and one of our ches immediately to the west.

New reenforcements having arrived it is apparent that the effective forces employed by the enemy in the region of Le Mort Homme since May number more than three divisions On the right bank of the Meuse

artillery preparation and infantry at-tacks followed each other with equal violence in the region of Haudroment and Douaumont. Despite the fury of his attack the enemy, who had no regard for human life, succeeded in gaining a foothold only in some trench elements east of the fort (Douaumont).
All his efforts against our positions to the west and against the fort itself were shattered by our fire.

In the Woevre there was a bombardment in the sectors of Eix and

The cost of the tremendous fighting The cost of the last few days is indicated by the remark of a French cer, quoted in an interview, that "Plots of land come high here."

The German determination to recover Fort Douaumont was carried out with all the desperate hurling of masses of men into the struggle which might be expected from a command which saw a position which it regarded as vital to various ships are fitted up the machines ultimate success in this region lost after it had been closely organized into the German lines. Military writers believe

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# \$241,449,151 NAVY **BILL NOW IN HOUSE**

Calls for Five Battle Cruisers This Year.

fend Failure to Provide Dreadnoughts.

WASHINGTON, May 24 .- The naval appropriation bill, the second of the Administration's important preparedness mouth College, Hilhous wesievan College, mouth College, Hilhous earlies by the Home for Crippied Children, the Chicago Orphan Asylum, the Old People's Home and the Episcopal Home for Aged

practically continuous attack on both sides of the Meuse last night and to-day the Germans have won two notable successes at the expenditure of a great fiscal year, was formally represented to the fiscal year. House to-day by the Committee on Naval

> The buildings programme, the most important feature of the measure recommended by the committee, is as fol-

> Five battle cruisers to cost \$20,433,53 Four scout cruisers costing \$5,571.900 each.

Ten destroyers costing \$1,325.814.
Three submarines, with surface displacement of about 800 tons, \$1,206,302, each. Seventeen smaller submarines.

One fuel ship to cost \$1,363,272. One ammunition ship, \$2,704,650. One hospital ship, \$2,250,000. The total cost of this programme, the The total cost of this programme, the committee says in its report, will amount to \$160,087,357, and the appropriation necessary to carry this plan into effect for the first year will amount to \$59,244,326. The ammunition for these ships is provided for in the bill, amounting to \$11,245,925, making in all \$70,490,251 In addition to this sum there will have to be appropriated \$68.328.371 for the continuation of the work on vessels here-

#### tofore authorized. \$2,000,000 for Aviation

Other provisions in the bill, apart from the maintenance of the naval establish-ment, which may be regarded as pre-

Chief of Operations upon a legal basis with the rank of Admiral and authority over fifteen officers who will have direct charge of the work of the fleet.

#### For a Pacific Conference.

Stress also is laid by the committee appropriation of \$200,000 to pay the exappropriation of \$200,000 to pay the expenses of an international conference to be called by the President at the conclusion of the European war for the purpose of considering the settlement of international disputes by arbitration and the discontinuance of the construction of competitive armaments.

In this connection the committee "while desirous that the country shall be properly prepared against attack by a foreign foe and fully realizing that the navy is the first line of defence" expresses the hope that the object of such a conference may be attained.

The bill represents in large measure only the view of the Democratic members. The Republican members of the

only the view of the Democratic mem-bers. The Republican members of the committee will file their report to-mor-row approving of minor provisions of the bill, but presenting more compre-hensive demands for a building pro-gramme. The chief point of

The Democratic members of the con The Democratic members of the com-mittee justify their failure to provide for dreadnoughts, which have been char-acterized as the backbone of the navy, by pointing out the diversity of opinion among naval officers who appeared be-fore the committee as to the immediate needs of the fleet, the defects of the navy as disclosed in war games, and the ex-periences of foreign navies in the war.

#### Lesson of the War.

fumes. The attack failed under the French fire curtain.

The afternoon communique was affollows:

In Champagne, with the help of an incommunity of the community of the communit war there were of this type, built and building, in the British navy, ten; in the German navy, eight; in the Japanese navy, four, and in the Russian

> will permit. A lesson to be from this war seems to be that if a possible enemy is operating vessels whose speed enables them to elude a battleship with certainty and which are powerful enough not to fear smaller craft the only method of de-fence against the battle cruiser seems to be the battle cruiser.

The compelling reason for the recombattle cruiser is the fact that each of several foreign navies have the battle cruiser and it therefore becomes an necessity for the proper naval defence of the country for the United States to likewise equip the navy with this type of vessel."

#### Navy "Highly Efficient." The report also formulates an elabo-

rate defence of the navy in reply to the criticism of the present naval adminis of the navy in reply to the ration based for the most part on the ny of Admiral Fletcher, the commander in chief. The assertion is made that in ships, guns and men the navy is in a highly efficient condition. Of the aviation appropriation the committee says: "It is contemplated that the \$2,000,000

recommended, in addition to providing for other aviation service, will eventually oring the number of service machines ur to seventy-five, and as soon as the various ships are fitted up the machines aviation for naval purposes is scouting

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# MAYOR READS WIRE TAPPED TALKS IN CHARITY CASE; SAYS CRIMINAL ACTION WILL BE PRESSED



MAYOR MITCHEL before the Thompson committee yesterday, when he read the record of the telephone conversations that were intercepted when the wires were tapped in the charities investigation by order of the Police Department.

## WHOLE CHURCH NOT BLAMED IN MAYOR'S PLOT CHARGE

"Only a Group and Non-Catholic Laymen," He Says, Sought to Hamper City in Effort to Better Charities Conditions.

The Mayor prefaced his recital of the alleged conversations with the following statement-a resume of the case as he

presented it at the hearing on Tuesday: For two years and a half, as the representative of all the people of this city. I have been endeavoring to secure humane treatment and proper care for the 22,000 homeless and dependent the 22,000 homeless and dependent children committed as city wards to private charitable institutions. I have been endeavoring to secure proper ad-ministration of the \$5,00,000 of pub-lic funds annually disbursed to these institutions for the care of the city's wards.

That is the cause I am fighting for and I shall continue to fight for it no matter what damage it may bring to me, for it is a matter of public duty and personal conscience. In this work I have found myself and my Commissioner of Charities opposed, withten myrepresented and obstructed vilified, misrepresented and obstructed by certain interests and influences. I have endeavored to learn what these influences are which have sought to interfere with or to control a branch

ducted by the Governor's Commissioner, Mr. Charles H. Strong, under the Moreland act it came to the knowledge of the city's authorities that certain crimes had been committed. In securng the evidence of the commission of these crimes the Police Department has brought to light the conspiracy which was hatched to frustrate the work of the Department of Charities. The evidence of the commission of the crimes is also the evidence of the ex-

cooperating with a few non-Catholic laymen. It is this group I charge with conspiracy. This group I am convinced is not representative of the Church or of the great body of right thinking, honest Catholics of this city. Jews, Protestants and Catholics alike will think as I do on this ques-tion when the disguises are removed from the naked truth and the issue

city of New York must act as fathe and mother, becomes clear to all.

As a trustee of the public funds which the city annually disburses to

c all of the facts in this matter. When, as now, it happens that these supervising the telephone to be heard fully in public upon this

#### istence of this conspiracy against the so conspired to pervert justice and obstruct or control government, but a small group within the Church

which is beneath it all, the decent care

these institutions, as the chief exec-utive, responsible for the welfare of these helpless children unhappily torn by economic circumstance from their homes and given over for a time to the care of the city as a foster parent, and as Mayor, responsible for the honesty and efficiency of the Police De-partment, it is my right as well as my duty to make known to the pub-

facts are pertinent to your inquiry and relevant to the question under con-sideration, namely, the propriety of the action of the Police Department in supervising the telephone wires of the Potters and of Father Farrell, it became doubly my right

### SAYS TIRPITZ WOULD **ALLIES GET REPLY TO** MAIL SEIZURE NOTE HAVE PREVENTED WAR

#### "In operations against an enemy that U. S. Takes Issue With En- Bassermann Declares as Chantente's Views and Insists Acts Are Illegal.

WASHINGTON, May 24.-The reply of the United States to the last joint note AMSTERDAM, May 24.-Ernst Basserof the British and French Governments mann, the National-Liberal leader in the plause. "Recent reports tend to indicate that these numbers are being added to as rapidly as building facilities under war pressure will permit. A lesson to be here to the form this war seems to be the second of the British and French Governments on the question of interfering with mails Reichstag, has published a pamphlet on the former Minister of Marine, Grand and French Governments on the Satisfacture and the former Minister of Marine, Grand and French Governments on the Satisfacture and French Governments and French Governments on the Satisfacture and French Governments and Fre The note will be made pub-

lie on Saturday. of mails from the United States to neu- man policy which set in under Chanceltral countries can be construed as com- lor Caprivi, and have continued throughing within the spirit of international law, out the last twenty-five years, found no ing within the spirit of illication and support from him.

and it fails to see how Great Britain and support from him.

Brance can legally justify their proce"A correct perception of the British France can legally justify their proce-

mails. The Ambassador has stated that the Entente is willing to do everything which can be done without interfering with matters of vital military expediency in order to adjust the matter with the United States.

The most serious aspect of the question at present is the fact that the Enterte cisims Germany is violating negative.

claims Germany is violating postal regulations by arranging for the sending of contraband from the United States. The Entente claims that this necessi-tates some supervision of the mails.

## cellor He Might Have Made Pact With England.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. the former Minister of Marine, Grand table with his gavel and fairly shouted determined to say all he has to say in public or not at all. Hamburger Nachrichten quotes the fol-lowing: lowing:

ground that Germany has national character and British history dure on the ground that Germany has violated the law.

It has been the constant contention of the State Department that two wrongs do not make a right, and the United States cannot see why its interests should suffer at the hands of the terests should suffer at the hands of the ter terests should suffer at the hands of the Entente because of charges which these Powers bring against Germany.

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador, has had several talks with Counsellor Polk relative to settling the dispute over detention and seizure of mails. The Ambassador has stated that the Entente is willing to do everything theless enteved there such a reputation.

Minister and the creator of the navy was certainly a factor which did not influence the German policy favorably."

This is a thrust at the Imperial Chancellor, and coming from one of the most influential politicians in the empire it may have some effect. The article ministration of the law—before the further shows that the advocates of the further shows that the advocates of the further shows that the advocates of the fundimited torpedo" by no means resigned themselves to their fate.

| The article ministration of the law—before the law—before the ministration of the law—before the we believe that the committee, inastruction and at the proper time.

| A plan was even then being discussed elsewhere to have Deputy Charities defer to his judgment in relation to the GREAT BEAR SPRING WATER

see, the case of six glass stoppered bettles signed themselves to their fate.

Wild Disorder Among Listeners Precedes Recital After the Thompson Committee Records Its Objection to the Police Reports Being Received.

### CHURCH CLIQUE AND LAYMEN ONLY BLAMED BY CITY'S HEAD

Swann Induces Seymour to Prosecute Burns After John Doe Hearing-Talley Tells Mayor He Almost Was Indicted.

The conversations alleged to have been taken over the telephones that were tapped in the recent charities investigation were read to the Thompson committee yesterday by Mayor Mitchel. The committee objected to the recital, but decided to bow to the Mayor's desires and listen to it on the understanding that the Mayor assume responsibility for its utterance and consequences.

The Mayor's recital was preceded by a scene of great disorder. Alfred J. Talley, counsel to Father Farrell, asserted that the Grand Jury in Brooklyn had failed to indict the Mayor by one vote. The assertion aroused laughs, applause and hisses, and then some one in the crowded room called the Mayor a "little shrimp" and denounced his anticipated statement as an insult to the Mayor's church and the community.

The police took unusual precautions to pretect the Mayor from iolence. Shields bobbed up unexpectedly after the outburst of disorder and two dozen policemen surrounded the Mayor when he was leaving the Municipal Building. The alleged conversations were related by the Mayor to substan-

tiate his story of the day before that he believed there was a conspiracy to interfere with the city government and that four crimes had been committed-perjury, libel, conspiracy to utter the libel and conspiracy to pervert and obstruct justice. The Mayor promised criminal prosecution for the alleged crimes at

the proper time and before the proper tribunal. Action toward this end may be taken this morning by an official of the Charities Department. He did not charge the Catholic Church as a whole with plotting against his administration, the Mayor said in a statement preceding his reading of the telephone conversations, but only certain Catholic priests and non-

District Attorney Swann induced Frederick Seymour to promise to sign a complaint against William J. Burns, the detective, after testimony at the John Doe inquiry before Chief Magistrate McAdoo accused Burns again of entering the Seymour & Seymour office and placing a detectaphore. To-morrow the John Doe in uiry will go into the question whether any one connected with Burns's employers knew what he was

doing. Burns's detective license may be revoked. Mgr. Dunn said that he would not issue until later any statement bearing on the conversations read to the Thompson committee by Mayor

District Attorney Lewis of Kirgs county expressed the opinion that the conversations read by the Mayor would not have any bearing in the courts, as, in his opinion, they would be classed as hearsay testimony.

# TAPPED TALKS ARE READ DESPITE COMMITTEE RULE

Mayor Mitchel read into the record Commissioner William J. Doherty of the Thompson legislative committee spectrally, over the members' protest, a transcript of the conversations alleged to t to have been reported over the telephone wires that were tapped in connection with the recent charities investigation.

The unusual recital was preceded by The alleged conversations themselves

indignant spectator, standing half way down the closely packed room, denounced men and others to discredit his adminthe Mayor as a "little shrimp" and ob-istration. As the Mayor read them there were thirty-six separate conversa-

his church and a shameless insult to the community."

The demonstration, which unnerved all in the room, including the Mayor, for an instant or two, occurred just after a tilt between the Mayor and Alfred J. Talley, counsel to the Rev. William B. Farrell, whose telephone was one of those tapped. Mr. Talley, flaring back at the Mayor, who remarked that perhaps the lawyer was acquainted with the testimony before the Kings county Grand Jury, declared the only information he had on the subject was that the Grand Jury, failed to indict the Mayor, as well as Commissioner John A. Kingsbury and William H. Hotshkiss by only one vote.

It was the committee which wavered which wavered all docese: Father Higgins, Father Dineen and Walter J. Drummond figure prominently in them.

Although the committee decided early in the afternoon to permit the Mayor to tell the whole of his story—having shut him off on Tuesday when he was about to relate the alleged telephone talks—every member of the committee expressed himself on the record as objecting to the Mayor's action. They shall be a subject was that the Grand Jury failed to indict the Mayor, as well as Commissioner John A. Kingsbury and William H. Hotshkiss by only one vote. failed to indict the Mayor, as well as the Mayor insisted.

Commissioner John A. Kingsbury and William H. Hotchkiss, by only one vote. The echo of Mr. Talley's retort was a The echo of Mr. Talley's retort was a relate the alleged conversations except. chorus of sneering "Ha-has." Then applause. Then hisses. Not a few in the room winced. "Put him out." yelled at noon the situation was just as it had Senator Thompson pounded the

quarters and took silent charge of things. Meanwhile the original disturber had vanished and soon order reigned again.

The alleged conversations which the Mayor read followed a statement in which he made a brief resume of his presentment on Tuesday. It contained this addition, however; That he did not charge the Catholic Church with the conspiracy he had outlined—to pervert justice and obstruct or control government—but a small group within the Church, cooperating with a few non-Catholic laymen. He declared his belief that this group was not represents—that the responsibility for what he says lief that this group was not represents—treats not on the committee but on the committee but on the committee but on the committee but on the responsibility for what he says rests not on the committee but on the

to have been reported over the telephone gations. The Mayor said last night,

The unusual recital was preceded by an outburst of alarming disorder. An charges on Tuesday that there existed the party of the charges on Tuesday that there existed ine Mayor as a "little shrimp" and objected as a taxpayer to the Mayor's tions, extending over a period from marchigated utterances as "an insult to his church and a shameless insult to his church and a shameless insult to the diocese: Father Higgins, Father

at noon the situation was just as it had stood Tuesday night.

## Yielded in the Afternoon.

lic on Saturday.

It is understood that the United States takes issue with all the main points raised in the last note from the Entente.

The Government denies that the seizure The Government denies that the seizure The Halled States and the States The Halled States The Government denies that the seizure The Halled States The Halled S So the committee at 3 in the aftercoat. Shields appeared on two dozen they should not listen to the testimony coats. A few minutes later Inspector because they considered it irrelevant and Joseph Faurot came down from Head-incompetent, they would defer to the quarters and took silent charge of things. position of the Mayor as the city's chief

catholic laymen. He declared his belief that this group was not representative of the Church or the great body of right thinking honest Catholics of the city. Jews, Protestants and Catholics alike, he said, would think as he does there the navy did not interest the navy did not interestly."

In the questioning before and after the alleged conversations were read the Mayor promised that action would be taken on the four crimes he charged—perjury, criminal libel, conspiracy to utter criminal libel and conspiracy to ministration of the law—before the proper tribunal and at the proper time.

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